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1. On 5 May 1948, Major Dubovitsky's official interpreter visited various engineers and technicians who had been dismissed by the Soviet Air Force technical section in Karlshorst on 8 April and informed them that policy had been reversed and that research would continue in the Russian Zone of Germany. 25X1

Comment: Dubovitsky himself had told the technicians on 8 April that all projects would be cancelled as of 1 May; the reason given was the possibility of conflict in the Berlin area. Equipment was to be crated and shipped to the SAR depot at Schkeuditz. 25X1

2. Following is the substance of the interpreter's statements to the German staff: 25X1

"Within a week we expect a visit from General Alexandrov's boss (name not given) and we have received instructions to hold all personnel who were recently dismissed until his arrival. All key personnel are now in Moscow outlining the new plan; they will return at the same time. 25X1

"The entire policy has been reversed and research will be continued in Germany, on a much larger scale than heretofore. The reason for this is the unlikelihood of the Americans making any trouble and the certainty that we will be able to get them out of Berlin by fall. 25X1

"We have now received a number of transport planes from Russia which are assigned to our section and which are to be used by the staff to travel between the different research projects. We have also received twenty tons of gasoline for our section during the last few days."

3. One of the technicians, remarking that he was overworked and would like to relinquish his post, was told by the interpreter that he would never be permitted to go on living in Berlin unless he continued to work for the Russians, because he knew too much.

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